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REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in the present Application. Claims 22-24 have been cancelled, without prejudice, Claims 9 and 19 have been amended, and Claims 25 - 27 have been added, leaving Claims 1 - 21 and 25 - 27. All remaining claims have been allowed. The new claims depend from the allowed claims and merely further claim the present invention. Support for these new claims can at least be found in Claim 19 as originally filed. Support for the amendment to Claim 9 can at least be found in Paragraph [0091], and support for the amendment to Claim 19 can at least be found in Paragraph [0090]. Since the overall number of claims has not changed, since these new claims and amendments do not require an additional search, and since these new claims depend from allowed claims, Applicants respectfully request that these claims be entered. No new matter has been added.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claim 22 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,846,077 to Win, in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,042,396 to Shuert. Claims 23 and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as allegedly unpatentable over Win. Claims 22 - 24 have been cancelled, thereby rendering these rejections moot.

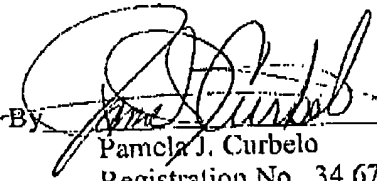
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It is believed that the foregoing amendments and remarks fully comply with the Final Rejection and that the claims herein are allowable to Applicants. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection(s) and allowance of the case are respectfully requested.

If there are any additional charges with respect to this Amendment or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

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